

## REDUCTION OF VISA FEES FOR NONIMMIGRANTS

*Exchange of notes at Capetown March 24, 1937, with text of agreement  
Operative April 1, 1937*

*Made obsolete by agreement of March 28 and April 3, 1956<sup>1</sup>*

Department of State files

*The American Minister to the Minister of External Affairs*

LEGATION OF THE  
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA  
CAPETOWN, March 24, 1937

SIR,

I HAVE the honour to communicate the text of the arrangement between the United States of America and the Union of South Africa providing for the reciprocal reduction of non-immigrant passport visa fees for nationals of the two countries.

### AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENTS OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA AND THE UNION OF SOUTH AFRICA FOR THE REDUCTION OF NON-IMMIGRANT PASSPORT VISA FEES

#### ARTICLE 1

This agreement shall cover only visa fees and shall relate only to non-immigrant visa applicants.

#### ARTICLE 2

Such applicants shall continue to be subject to the usual laws and regulations of each country for establishing qualifications to receive a visa, and for establishing admissibility at the port or place of entry, including a general requirement that the travel document of the applicant shall be valid for at least 60 days beyond the period of the desired sojourn in the other country.

#### ARTICLE 3

It is agreed that the fee for the visa of the passports of non-immigrant nationals of the United States of America, including Philippine citizens, and

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<sup>1</sup> 7 UST 631; TIAS 3544.

for nationals of the Union of South Africa, shall be 2.00 dollars United States currency or an equivalent sum in South African currency.

#### ARTICLE 4

The passport visa shall be valid for a maximum period of one year from the date of the visa, provided that the passport itself continues to be valid in accordance with Article 2 above.

#### ARTICLE 5

The passport visa shall be valid for any number of entries during the period of its validity.

#### ARTICLE 6

The fee for a transit visa shall be 0.20 dollar in United States currency or the equivalent of that sum in South African currency.

#### ARTICLE 7

The transit visa shall, subject to the validity of the passport, be valid for one year from the date of its issuance and may be used for any number of journeys in transit during the period of its validity.

#### ARTICLE 8

This agreement shall terminate upon three months' notice to that effect having been given by either Government.

If you inform me that it is the understanding of your Government that the arrangement agreed upon is as herein set forth, the arrangement will be considered to be operative as from the 1st April, 1937.

I have, &c.

RALPH J. TOTTEN

*Envoy Extraordinary and Minister Plenipotentiary of the United States of America*

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*The Minister of External Affairs to the American Minister*

DEPARTMENT OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS

CAPETOWN, *March 24, 1937*

MR. MINISTER,

I have the honour, with reference to your note of the 24th March, 1937, to inform you that the Union Government are prepared to conclude an agreement with the Government of the United States of America providing

for the reduction of passport visa fees of non-immigrants for nationals of the two countries as follows:

[For text of agreement, see U.S. note, above.]

Your note under reference, and this, my reply, will be regarded as an agreement between our two Governments in the matter, with effect from the 1st April, 1937.

I have, &c.

J. B. M. HERTZOG  
*Minister of External Affairs*